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SUMMARY: This IMI (International Marketing Insight) reports on **draft and final technical regulations and standards – NOMs and NMXs - issued by the Mexican Government, during the period October 1 to 15, 2005.** Five different lists are included to assist U.S. exporters, companies, and other parties, interested in:

1. Draft technical regulations (NOMs) that are still in the comment period.
2. Technical regulations (NOMs) that have been published in final form as well as responses to comments on draft technical regulations.
3. Draft standards (NMXs), which comment period is still open.
4. Enacted standards (NMXs).
5. Cancelled technical regulations and standards.

BACKGROUND: All goods and products imported into Mexico must comply with any applicable technical regulations and labeling requirements. Applicable technical regulations and labeling requirements are listed by harmonized tariff system (HS or HTS) code. The Mexican Government publishes technical regulations and standards, through the Diario Oficial de la Federacion (Official Gazette) - the Mexican equivalent of the US Federal Register. Technical regulations are published in the form of a Norma Oficial Mexicana (NOM) (Literally *Official Mexican Standard*), or a Proyecto de Norma Oficial Mexicana (*Draft Technical Regulation*). The minimum comment period for draft technical regulation is 60 days. During the comment period the public, businesses, or any interested party can submit comments to the address specified in the text of the draft technical regulation. Comments must be submitted in Spanish and be received no later than the closing date listed in the text of the Proyecto.

The full text of draft and enacted NOMs and some NMXs is available at the library of the Direccion General de Normas (DGN) (Mexican Bureau of Standards), which is part of the Secretaria de Economia (Secretariat of Economy), or at DGN's web page. The DGN web page can be reached at www.economia-noms.gob.mx. Go to the 'Normatividad Empresarial' tab and then to the 'Normas' section. Within the Normas section go to the 'Catalogo de Normas' to search for draft and enacted technical regulations and standards. For some NMXs standards, the text of draft is available at www.economia-nmx.gob.mx or else, directly from the standards development body that issued the draft standard. The most common include ANCE, NYCE, and ONNCCE. These three private sector voluntary standards developers have web pages of their own with contact information.

The web page addresses follow the format of www.{acronym of the body}.org.mx, for example, [\[www.ance.org.mx\]](http://www.ance.org.mx). Responses to comments received must be published in the Diario Oficial. The publication of responses to comments is a clear indication that the publication of the standard in its final form is imminent. If the Government decides to finalize the standard, it will be published as a NOM in the Diario Oficial. Private sector standards follow the same procedure and are identified with the NMX prefix. Voluntary NMX standards become mandatory when quoted or listed in NOMs. The Diario Oficial is available both in hard copy and electronically.

LISTS INCLUDED IN THIS DOCUMENT: Five different lists follow below to assist companies, and other interested parties, to be aware of the draft and final technical regulation issued by the Mexican Government during the period October 1 to 15, 2005:

1. The first is a list of the titles of **draft technical regulations (NOMs) that are still in the comment period.**

Notes:

- The title and short description are in Spanish, with an English translation.
- Interested parties are encouraged to submit comments on draft technical regulation directly to the entity or individual identified in the publication of the draft NOM.

2. The second list reports the titles of the **technical regulations (NOMs) that have been published in final form as well as responses to comments on draft technical regulation.**

Note:

- The title and short description are in Spanish with an English translation.

3. The third is a list of **draft standards (NMXs), which comment period is still open.**

Note:

- Because of time and human resources constraints, only the titles/NMX and codes are presented in Spanish and English, without description. More detailed information is accessible at www.economia-nmx.gob.mx

4. The fourth is a list of the **enacted standards (NMXs).**

Note:

- Because of time and human resources constraints, only the titles/NMX and codes are presented in Spanish and English, without description. More detailed information is accessible at www.economia-nmx.gob.mx

5. The fifth is a list of **cancelled technical regulations and standards.**

Notes:

- Remember that although (NMXs) are voluntary, they become mandatory when referred to in technical regulations (NOMs), which are always mandatory.
- In order to improve the timeliness of this report, the scope of the information has been changed to 15 days.

1. Draft Technical Regulations (NOM) Published - October 1 to 15, 2005

Proyectos de Norma **(Comment period still open)**

Unless otherwise noted, the comment period for these draft technical regulations is 60 calendar days from the date of publication. Unofficial translations of titles have been provided to aid the reader as appropriate.

Date	Description
06-OCT-2005	Proyecto de Norma Oficial Mexicana PROY-NOM-059-SSA1-2004, Buenas prácticas de fabricación para establecimientos de la industria químico farmacéutica dedicados a la fabricación de medicamentos (modifica a la NOM-059-SSA1-1993, publicada el 31 de julio de 1998) Draft Technical Regulation PROY-NOM-059

2. Technical Regulations (NOM) Issued and Response to Comments

October 1 to 15, 2005

NOMs Emitidas y Respuestas a Comentarios

Date	Description
05-OCT-2005	Modificación de los procedimientos para la evaluación de la conformidad de las normas oficiales mexicanas en materia zoosanitaria competencia de la Secretaría de Agricultura, Ganadería, Desarrollo Rural, Pesca y Alimentación Modification to Conformity Assessment Procedures for Technical Regulations on zoo-sanitary matters, which are under the jurisdiction of the Mexican Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock, Rural Development, and Food

	No responses to comments about Draft Technical Regulations were published during this period of time
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3. Draft Voluntary (NMX) Standards Published - October 1 to 15, 2005

Aviso de consulta publica

(Comment period still open)

Please note - in the case of Voluntary (NMX) Standards, only the titles are presented in Spanish and English without description, due to time and human resources constraints.

Date	Description
06-OCT-2005	Aviso de consulta pública del Proyecto de Norma Mexicana PROY-NMX-L-171-SCFI-2005 Notice of public consultation of the Draft Standard PROY-NMX-L-171-SCFI-2005

4. Enacted Voluntary (NMX) Standards - October 1 to 15, 2005

Declaratoria de vigencia de NMXs

Please note - in the case of Voluntary (NMX) Standards, only the titles are presented in Spanish and English without description, due to time and human resources constraints.

Date	Description
06-OCT-2005	Aclaración a la Declaratoria de vigencia de la Norma Mexicana NMX-R-046-SCFI-2005, publicada el 15 de agosto de 2005 Declaration of effectiveness of the Mexican Standard NMX-R-046-SCFI-2005, published on August 15, 2005

5. Cancelled Technical Regulations and Standards - October 1 to 15, 2005
Normas Canceladas

Date	Description
	No declarations of cancellation were published during this period of time.

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